

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF BOSTON WATER)
DISTRICT, OF NELSON COUNTY,)
KENTUCKY, (1) FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY,)
AUTHORIZING AND PERMITTING SAID)
WATER DISTRICT TO CONSTRUCT A)
WATERWORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT,)
CONSISTING OF EXTENSION, ADDITIONS,) CASE NO. 9022
AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING)
WATER WORKS SYSTEM OF THE DISTRICT;)
(2) APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED PLAN)
OF FINANCING OF SAID PROJECT; AND)
(3) APPROVAL OF THE INCREASED WATER)
RATES PROPOSED TO BE CHARGED BY THE)
DISTRICT TO CUSTOMERS OF THE)
DISTRICT)

O R D E R

On March 30, 1984, Boston Water District ("Boston") filed its application to construct certain facilities, issue certain securities to fund the construction and raise its water rates. The proposed water rates were based upon a revenue requirement analysis including the proposed construction and financing.

On January 21, 1985, a motion was filed by Boston stating that the construction project had not yet been bid, thereby causing a delay in the Commission's decision beyond the 10-month time period allowed to decide a rate case as set out in

KRS 278.190 (3). Boston requests authority to withdraw its case and seeks to reopen a new case once the bids have been received.

After review of the record, and being advised, the Commission FINDS the following:

(1) That the proposed rates are based, in a large part, on the proposed construction project.

(2) That the advertisement for bids, bid tabulation and possible public hearing on the construction project cannot be completed within the 10-month time frame provided by statute to decide rate cases.

(3) That the case should be withdrawn without prejudice because the Commission will not render a rate decision involving construction and financing without the construction bids.

(4) That upon receipt and tabulation of the bids, Boston should file a motion to reopen this case and seek a Commission Order based on facts already in the record, along with the bid tabulations.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Boston's motion be and it is hereby sustained.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Boston shall file a motion to reopen this case once it has the necessary bid tabulations on the proposed construction projects, and for an Order based on the record as it then exists.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 30th day of January, 1985.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Richard D. Henry
Chairman

Paul Wilson
Vice Chairman

Sam Shuman
Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary